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Applicant: Tsuneo SATO et al. Conf.: 9732  
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For: COLOR CHARACTERISTIC DESCRIPTION  
APPARATUS, COLOR MANAGEMENT  
APPARATUS, IMAGE CONVERSION APPARATUS  
AND COLOR CORRECTION METHOD

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PETITION TO WITHDRAW ABANDONMENT  
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Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

July 25, 2002

Sir:

In response to the Notice of Abandonment mailed July 10, 2002, which issued in connection with the above-identified application, this is a Petition to withdraw the "abandonment status" of the present application, since a Reply was timely filed on September 4, 2001. As evidence of the fact that a Reply was timely filed, enclosed herewith are the following:

- a copy of the Reply filed September 4, 2001; and
- a copy of the postcard receipt which was date-stamped on September 4, 2001.

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It is requested that the abandonment status of the present application be immediately removed so that prosecution may resume with full consideration and entry into the record of the timely filed Reply.

If the U.S. Patent Examiner has any questions regarding the above matters, please contact Applicants' representative, Michael K. Mutter, in the Washington metropolitan area at the phone number listed below.

It is submitted that no fees are required for filing this Petition, since the error occurred because of a mistake on the part of the USPTO.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fee required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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Attachments:      Copy of Reply  
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